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## REMARKS

The last Office Action has been carefully considered.

It is noted that claims 1, 14, and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over the patent Marmorstin.

At the same time, claims 2, 7-13, 15-17 and 19 are only objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

The Examiner's indication of the allowability of some claims has been gratefully acknowledged.

In connection with this indication, claim 2 has been amended by introducing into the features of claim 1, and this claim together with claim 16 which depends on claim 2 should be considered as being in allowable condition.

Claim 8 has been amended by introducing into it the features of claim 1, and this claim together with claims 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 which depend on claim 8 directly or indirectly should also be considered as being in allowable condition.

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Claim 15 has been amended by introducing into it the features of claim 1, and claim 14, and this claim should be considered as allowable as well.

Claim 17 has been amended by introducing into it the features of claim 1, and this claim should be considered as being in allowable condition.

Claim 19 has been amended by introducing into it the features of claims 1 and 18, and this claim should be considered as being in allowable condition as well.

After carefully considering the Examiner's grounds for the rejection of the claims over the art, applicant wishes to make the following remarks:

Claims 1, 14 and 18 are rejected over the patent to Marmorshtein.

In connection with this, claim 1 was cancelled and claims 14 and 18 have been amended to depend on claim 2.

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> It is therefore believed that all claims should be considered as allowable.

> Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

> Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-243-3818).

> > Respectfully submitted,

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